

Arkansas

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Arkansas Chick Placements Up 1 Percent From Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 24.5 million during the week ending April 7, 2007. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2006, and virtually unchanged from the revised previous week, and included 3.4 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 23.5 million, down 8 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and virtually unchanged from the revised previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.1 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 84 percent.

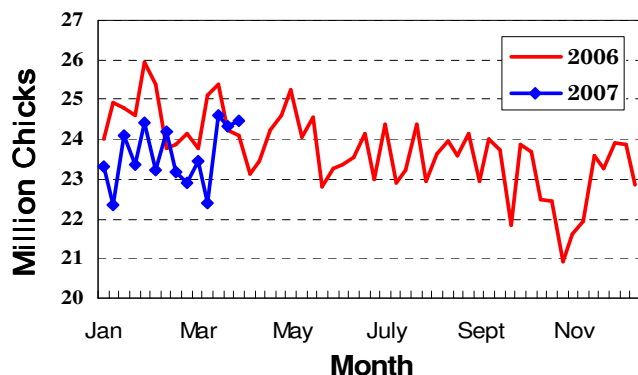
Arkansas hatcheries set 28.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 7, 2007, down 8 percent from the same period last year, but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending ¹	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Mar. 3	24,141	22,890	95	25,449	23,057	91	30,868	28,089	91
Mar. 10	23,761	23,452	99	25,821	23,128	90	31,376	28,240	90
Mar. 17	25,114	22,410	89	25,709	23,023	90	30,561	28,016	92
Mar. 24	25,370	24,627	97	25,556	23,231	91	29,754	28,079*	91
Mar. 31	24,238	24,337*	100	26,005	23,533*	90	30,034	27,991	93
Apr. 7	24,090	24,450	101	25,456	23,489	92	30,647	28,212	92

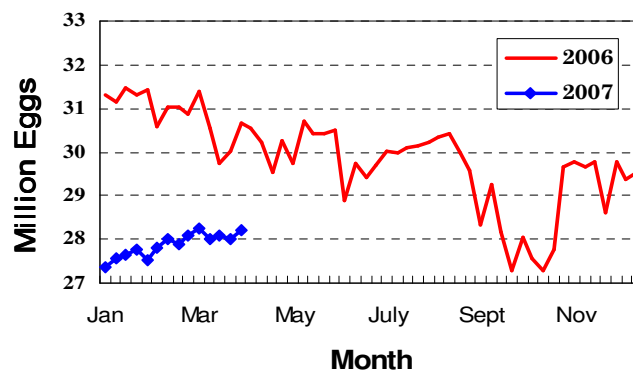
¹ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006 - 2007



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, March 10, 2007 - April 7, 2007

State	Eggs Set							Chicks Placed						
	Week Ending							Week Ending						
	10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	7-Apr	% 1/		10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar	31-Mar	7-Apr	% 1/	
	<i>Thousand</i>							<i>Thousand</i>						
Alabama	30,094 *	30,576 *	31,090	31,304	31,680	100		20,491	20,132	20,395	20,197	20,407	96	
Arkansas	28,240	28,016	28,079 *	27,991	28,212	92		23,452	22,410	24,627	24,337 *	24,450	101	
Delaware	4,047	4,043	4,047	4,039	4,039	113		3,826	4,693	5,768	4,449	5,111	90	
Florida	1,364	1,364	1,365	1,364	1,362	98		1,406	1,440	1,419	1,450	1,458	112	
Georgia	35,527	35,450 *	35,870	35,361	36,164	103		28,955	28,527	29,218 *	28,940	29,038	109	
Kentucky	7,556	7,495 *	7,584	7,569	7,405	100		6,390	6,545	6,360	6,504 *	6,253	111	
Louisiana	3,833	3,893	3,924	3,924	3,924	95		3,454	3,998	3,756	3,655	3,738	96	
Maryland	9,019	8,975	8,952	8,985	8,970	101		7,029	5,929	5,663	6,778	5,931	110	
Mississippi	19,149	19,281	19,193	18,936	18,998	104		17,289	17,397	17,173 *	17,415 *	17,719	108	
N. Carolina	19,400	19,207 *	19,326	18,341 *	19,407	105		15,852	15,472	15,867	15,872 *	16,161	108	
Oklahoma	6,603	6,689	6,690	6,474 *	6,672	100		5,061	5,574	4,548	4,406 *	4,807	90	
Pennsylvania	4,005	3,929	3,799	3,866	3,959	93		2,909	2,744	2,785	2,860	2,849	96	
S. Carolina	5,383	5,479	5,422	5,388	5,554	108		4,792	5,206	4,823	4,429	4,823	90	
Texas	14,935	15,075 *	15,104 *	15,015 *	14,963	99		12,228	12,275	12,302	12,577 *	12,840	99	
Virginia	6,203	6,246	6,399	6,495	6,451	99		4,819	4,901	4,593	4,758	5,164	105	
CA,MO,TN&WV	20,034 *	20,052 *	19,688 *	20,019 *	20,544	112		16,845 *	17,005 *	16,172 *	17,050 *	15,692	92	
19 State Total	215,392 *	215,770 *	216,532 *	215,071 *	218,304			174,798 *	174,248 *	175,469 *	175,677 *	176,441		
Prev. Year Total	216,768	213,555	211,053	213,715	215,730			175,801	177,396	176,996	176,993	173,986		
% of Prev. Year	99	101	103	101	101			99	98	99	99	101		
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/								28-Apr	5-May	12-May	19-May	26-May		

* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

Broiler Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 7, 2007. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 176 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 7, 2007. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative Placements from December 31, 2006 through April 7, 2007 were 2.43 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.